



CARES Plus Update

MyTeachingPartner (MTP)

- Q. Does a participant who has been chosen for the MTP ten-month coaching also have to complete the CORE requirements?
- A. Yes, with the exception of Looking at CLASSrooms (LAC). However, a participant **may choose** to complete the online Looking at CLASSrooms. All other CORE requirements, listed below, **must be completed** to be eligible for a stipend.
- Meet with a professional growth advisor
 - Submit a Professional Development Plan
 - Complete the two-hour online Intro to CLASS™ training
 - Complete the online training on the effects of second hand smoke (one hour)
 - Participate in a CLASS™ observation (pre- and post-) if chosen
- Q. Can a participant who has been selected for MTP decline to participate?
- A. Yes, a participant may decide not to participate in the 10-month MTP, but he or she is still required to receive a CLASS observation (if chosen) and must complete all other CORE Requirements including Looking at CLASSrooms.
- Q. Why were only pre-k teachers chosen for MTP this year?
- A. The MTP is currently designed for pre-k teachers only. However, the toddler version of the MTP will be available for year 2 of CARES Plus. Next year's random sample will include both pre-k and toddler teachers.
- Q. My county did not participate in Component D. Can we do so next year?
- A. Yes, all counties will be eligible to participate in Component D next year. Next year's sample will include both pre-k and toddler teachers.
- Q. Why were assistant teachers chosen for MTP?
- A. Many lead agencies submitted participant data that included assistant teachers. After consultation with Teachstone, Inc., it was decided that it would be appropriate to include them in the MTP random sample.